



2005 CINCINNATI CENTER TENNIS TOURNAMENT

(U.S.T.A. Sanctioned)

All Entrants must be U.S.T.A. Members

sponsored by

CINCINNATI RECREATION COMMISSION – ATHLETIC DIVISION

Cincinnati Recreation Commission Tennis Advisory Council

Greater Cincinnati Tennis Association

Ohio Valley Tennis Association

DATE OF CENTER

TOURNAMENT:	April 29 –May 7, 2005	Girls 12's & 14's
	May 4-14, 2005	Girls 16's & 18's
	May 12-21, 2005	Boys 12's & 14's
	May 15-June 4, 2005	Boys 16's & 18's

SINGLES ONLY

Tournament will be played after school (4 p.m. and on weekends). Weather permitting, you will be expected to play on your designated date. **With the exception of High School Play, there will be no exceptions to assigned playing times.**

LOCATION: Lunken Airport Playfield

TOURNAMENT PROCEDURE:

1. **ALL PLAYERS MUST ENTER THIS TOURNAMENT ON LINE AT WWW.USTA.COM.-TENNIS LINK. Tournament ID # IS 856335405. Fee is \$39.50.**
2. All entrants must be members of the U.S.T.A.
3. All players are to call 321-1772 or 321-5718 beginning 3 days before your age division date. It is your responsibility to call in for your playing times.

ELIGIBILITY:

1. **THERE IS NO EXEMPTION FOR THIS TOURNAMENT. ALL PLAYERS MUST PARTICIPATE IN THIS TOURNAMENT TO ADVANCE TO THE DISTRICT TOURNAMENT.**
2. All players must be U.S. citizens or have proof of required residency.

3. All players must “play and complete” the Center qualifier to be eligible to be endorsed to the OVTA/Midwest Districts with the exception of Boys 16’s and Boys 18’s.

Due to High School competition, the Boys 16’s and 18’s will play until qualification for the OVTA/Midwest Districts has been determined. 2005 qualification will be the quarterfinals of the front draw and quarterfinals of the feed in consolation with the remaining spots chosen from record and current ranking information. The Center will stop at this point.

4. The OVTA/Midwest District quota for 2005 is 17.
5. All players must be residents of Greater Cincinnati (Hamilton, Clermont and Brown counties in Ohio and Boone, Kenton and Campbell counties in Kentucky),
6. Players may play up, but forfeit the right to play in the legal age bracket. If a player is found playing in a younger age bracket, such player will be defaulted from the tournament.
7. All players must be U.S.T.A. members or apply for membership before their first match.

AGE

REQUIREMENTS: You will have to make a choice of age group before you enter your area qualifier should you have a summer birthday.

Age Division	Born	End of Eligibility
18	1986	Last day of month preceding month of 19 th birthday
18	1987 and later	Eligible all year
16	1988	Last day of month preceding month of 17 th birthday
16	1989 and later	Eligible all year
14	1990	Last day of month preceding month of 15 th birthday
14	1991 and later	Eligible all year
12	1992	Last day of month preceding month of 13 th birthday

Please call the Tennis office at 352-4020 if you have any questions regarding this rule.

- BALLS:** Balls for all matches will be provided by the Cincinnati Recreation Comm.
- AWARDS:** 1st through 6th trophies will be presented in each age bracket.
- QUESTIONS:** Phone: 352-4020 (Contact Karen Montavon)
- ENTRY FEE:** \$39.50 per person. Check, Money Order, Visa or Master Card.
- ADVANCEMENT:** Qualifiers from this tournament will represent the Cincinnati area in the O.V.T.A. Districts, June 11 – 14. Further advancement will be to the Midwest Closed and then to the Nationals.
- ENTRY DEADLINE:** Friday, April 22, 2005 – 4 p.m. (in the office).
- TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR:** Karen Montavon
- TOURNAMENT REFEREE:** Mike Frank
- ROVING UMPIRES:** Roving umpires will be provided by the United States Tennis Association.
- COMMON RULES:** Front Draw & Back Draw – 2 out of 3 sets – 3rd set Super Tie Breaker.
Feed in back draw.
12 point tie-breaker
Point penalty system will be used
10 minutes warm up
One-half hour – default time, to the discretion of tournament director (for weekdays only)
10 minutes for weekend play
- NOTE:** No entries will be taken at the court location.
No entries will be accepted if it is not filled out completely.
No entries will be accepted without entry fee.
No entries will be accepted after the deadline.